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**AMENDMENT TO AFFILIATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN**

**ROSS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE SCHOOL OF VETERINARY  
MEDICINE LIMITED ("RUSM")**

**Portsmouth, Dominica**

**And**

**BROOKLYN QUEENS HEALTH CARE, INC. THROUGH CARITAS HEALTH  
CARE, INC. (formerly known as Caritas Health Care Planning, Inc.)**

**374 Stockholm Street, Brooklyn, New York 11237**

WHEREAS, Ross University School of Medicine, School of Veterinary Medicine, Limited, (the "University") and Brooklyn Queens Health Care, Inc. ("BQHC"), which through its subsidiary, Caritas Healthcare Planning, Inc. ("Caritas"), owns and operates Mary Immaculate Hospital and Saint John's Queens Hospital in New York (the "Hospitals") (collectively, the "Parties") have entered into a certain Affiliation Agreement relating to the participation of the University's medical students in clinical clerkships at the Hospitals during the period from January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2010 (the "Agreement"); and,

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to continue their Agreement, but make certain modifications to it, effective as of December 1, 2007 (the "Amendment");

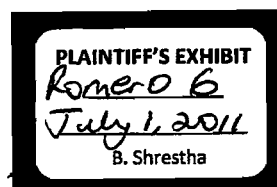
NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual promises and undertakings of the Parties set forth below, the Parties hereby amend the Agreement as follows:

Except for those changes expressly indicated in this Amendment, the Parties' Agreement shall otherwise remain in full force and effect according to its terms and those of its Exhibits.

**AMENDMENTS TO SECTION I OF THE AGREEMENT**

The first sentence of the first paragraph of Section I shall be deleted and replaced with the following: "That this Agreement will commence January 1, 2007 and continue until January 31, 2011. The University shall have an option to extend the Agreement, as amended, for two additional years, from January 31, 2011 until January 31, 2013, subject to the terms hereinafter set forth. The University shall be deemed to have exercised this option unless it provides BQHC written notice of its intention not to exercise its option right on or before October 31, 2010."

Additionally, the following language shall be added at the end of paragraph 1 of Section I: "In the event of termination by either Party, Caritas shall return within 7 days of the



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termination date, all unamortized Prepayment Funds, Additional Prepayment Funds, Monetary Consideration and any other amounts due and owing the University."

#### **AMENDMENT TO SECTION II OF THE AGREEMENT**

Section II, paragraph 11, shall be deleted and replaced with the following: "provide the University a right of first refusal for all new core/elective clerkship slots developed by the Hospital and/or existing core/elective rotations that become available during the term of the Agreement and any amendments thereof or extensions thereto pursuant to the University's exercise of its option set forth in Section I, paragraph 1. Such right of first refusal shall be exercised by The University within thirty (30) days of Written Notice provided to Ross by Caritas of the availability of clerkships and shall be under such terms and conditions as may be agreed to by the Parties. In the event the Parties are not able to agree to terms within an additional thirty (30) day period after Written Notice is provided to The University, then this "right of first refusal" shall be null and void."

#### **AMENDMENTS TO EXHIBIT B TO THE AGREEMENT**

The following shall be added to the end of subpart "a" of the first paragraph of Exhibit B:: "The University shall deposit or cause to be deposited with BQHC, within 7 business days of the signing of this Amendment, by wire or such other commercially reasonable manner as may be agreed upon by the Parties, an additional \$4,000,000 US Dollars less the aggregate amount of interest through October 31, 2007 owed to the University on the prior Pre-Payment of \$5,000,000 (the "Additional Pre-Payment Funds"). The University has calculated the amount of interest owing to the University to be \$223,545. The University will submit for BQHC's review its calculation of the interest owing and the Parties shall work cooperatively to perform a reconciliation no later than February 15, 2008 and make any necessary adjustments no later than February 28, 2008."

The third paragraph of Exhibit B, including the table, shall be deleted and replaced with the following:

"Effective January 21, 2008 BQHC guarantees that the Hospitals shall provide the University with a minimum of one hundred and ten (110) core clerkship slots, allocated as follows:

Surgery	36
Medicine	36
OB/GYN	14
Family Medicine	14
Psychiatry	10

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The fourth paragraph of Exhibit B shall be deleted and replaced with the following: "In addition, BQHC further guarantees that the Hospitals shall provide the University with one hundred and ten (110) elective clerkship slots during the term of the Agreement, as amended, and the two year option period, to the extent exercised by the University, to be allocated in accordance with the mutual agreement of the Parties."

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The fifth paragraph of Exhibit B, shall be deleted and replaced with the following: "The Clerkship rate under this Agreement shall be \$325 per student/per week and this rate shall be fixed for the initial term of this Agreement from ~~January 1, 2007~~ <sup>January 1, 2008</sup> until January 31, 2011. . In the event the University exercises its option to extend the Agreement for an additional two years (through 1/31/2013), the Clerkship rate paid per student/per week shall be increased by a percentage equal to the increase, if any, in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) in the then most recently ended federal fiscal year, as determined by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor."

The following shall be added to the ninth paragraph of Exhibit B:

"In addition, for the same consideration, BQHC shall pay, or shall cause the Hospitals to pay the University an amount equivalent to interest paid at a rate of LIBOR + 1% per annum and calculated on the unamortized amount of Additional Pre-Payment Funds, which amounts shall also be considered "Monetary Consideration"). Such amortization is based upon the amount of clinical clerkships actually provided to University students on a monthly basis through October 31, 2007.

Effective November 1, 2007 through the end of the Agreement, and any extension of the Agreement by virtue of the University's exercise of its two-year option right, The University will continue to earn interest on the Pre-Payment and the Additional Pre-Payment Funds at the monthly rate of LIBOR + 1% on the unamortized balance plus interest earned. However, beginning November 1, 2007, the Monetary Consideration earned monthly by the University shall be paid to the University in kind by adding them back to the Pre-Payment and Additional Pre-Payment amounts and then reducing those amounts as additional clinical rotations are utilized by University students.

For example, if the sum of the unamortized Pre-Payment and Additional Pre-Payment amounts was \$2.0 million at the end of January 2008, and \$2.5 million at the beginning of the month, the average Pre-Payment and Additional Pre-Payment balance for the month would be \$2.25 million. Assuming a LIBOR rate of 5% plus 1%, the Hospitals would owe The University \$11,250 in interest for the month. Under this amendment, instead of paying The University \$11,250 in cash, the \$11,250 in interest income would be added to the Pre-payment resulting in a month end Pre-Payment and Additional Pre-Payment of \$2,011,250."

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THIS AMENDMENT IS SIGNED AND DATED AS FOLLOWS:

For Brooklyn Queens Health Care, Inc.

  
Paul Goldberg, Chief Financial Officer

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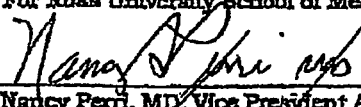
Date:

  
Julius Romero, AVP Medical Education

12/5/2007

Date:

For Ross University School of Medicine School of Veterinary Medicine Limited

  
Nancy Perri, MD, Vice President Academic Affairs

Date:

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John T. St. James, Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

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